

RACING NEWS AND GOSSIP—DELMAR TRACK STAKE EVENT.

TALK OF HORSES AND HORSEMEN ON EASTERN AND WESTERN TRACKS.

Question of "Who Has the Money?" Now Being Thrashed Over in San Francisco—Bradley Wants to Match Peter Paul With English Lad—Madden's String at Morris Park Is Said to Contain Many Fine Two-Year-Olds.

The question of who has won or kept the money is now vexing racegoers at San Francisco. The meeting reached its close yesterday, and it is estimated that the year has been most successful. The new California Jockey Club has enjoyed a prosperous season and has cleared at least a quarter of a million dollars. It has not been "touched" and held up, as Chicago race tracks are by a variety of politicians. Never has racing in California received such support from San Francisco's public as during the last season, and it is estimated the sum of \$4,000,000 has been handled in the ring. Hence the queries as to winners and losers.

Before figuring on winners and losers it is pertinent to call attention to the "kitty" of the betting ring, as the fee for cutting in may be designated. The new California Jockey Club charges \$30 a race. The daily average of bookmakers has been twenty-two. The daily number of races has been six. Wherefore the daily rake-off of the "kitty" was \$2,540, computed for 150 days, means \$381,000, which again is 10 per cent of the millions the ring is figured to have handled during the season.

Of those bookmakers who have been continuously, "English Bill" Jackman, who cut in about Christmas, undoubtedly is the largest winner. His profits are said to be \$50,000, and probably are all of \$30,000. Joe Rose, Joe Harlan, Herman Hoffman, Frank Bain and Henry Wendt are winners close to \$20,000 each.

Caesar Young broke nearly \$25,000 winner to the California game. For three or four years Young has run syndicate rings at the various fairs throughout the State, but he recently purchased for \$5,000 the membership in the Metropolitan Bookmaking Association held by the late W. H. Stokes, and this year will operate at the New York tracks.

George Rose booked straight through the Ascot meeting, and his winnings there are estimated at \$40,000. Since he came to Oakland he is said to have lost a third of his Los Angeles winnings.

Wally Brinkworth, last year Fred Cook's cashier at Chicago and the Middle West, booked for awhile in between playing from the ground.

The largest winner outside the booking contingent has been C. T. Henshall, who won upward of \$25,000 playing from the ground. He won most of it on the repeated victories of his own horse, Martinmas, before leaving for Hot Springs and Memphis.

Johnny Lyons is another who played with success, and, though he lost \$10,000 booking, he left for the Kansas City meeting \$20,000 ahead.

Joe Yeager was reported loser of \$25,000 when he left. Frank Lanterman and "Little Henry" were among the heaviest losers when they departed.

"Paddy" Ryan's operations have not been so gigantic this season as formerly. At that he is spoken of as winner of \$12,000.

"Del" Fountain, through Modicum's win of the Burns Handicap, worth \$7,000 to the winner, is high up in the list of winning owners and quite a bit ahead of the books. He played almost every race, and though it was whispered that he was nearly all in when Modicum turned the tide of luck in his favor, he fared well since, and is figured \$10,000 winner.

W. B. Jennings, who left at the head of the list of winning owners with \$20,000 at the

his credit, was not a big winner from the ring, because he seldom puts down a heavy bet. But his horses won so frequently he accumulated a snug sum on the side, and he sloughed off little of it betting on other men's horses.

"Pat" Bradley, who raised the American Derby winner, Robert Waddell, down on his old Virginia farm, wants to match his 1904 Derby colt, Peter Paul, against Fred Cook's colt, English Lad, at six furlongs or a mile over the Worth track.

Owner Bradley's banter to Trainer Phillips caused much gossip around the track. Some laughed at the proposed match, while others thought of Robert Waddell and said English Lad might meet his Waterloo at that. Robert Waddell ran a mile in 1:40 as a 2-year-old. Peter Paul has performed just as credibly, and he is now a 3-year-old, and Bradley says he is thoroughly convinced that he is a better horse than the Derby winner which he raised.

"I have never said much about my Derby colt this year, because I am not given to bragging, but since English Lad has been really the first of the 3-year-olds to come to the front I am willing to talk about my own horse," said Bradley, in proposing the match. "Everybody knows how good a horse Robert Waddell was the year he won the Derby. I don't believe he ever had an equal and he proved it in all of his races as soon as I got him fit. As a judge of horses, having handled them all my life, I have no hesitancy in saying that I believe Peter Paul is now and will prove to be later on a better horse than was Robert Waddell."

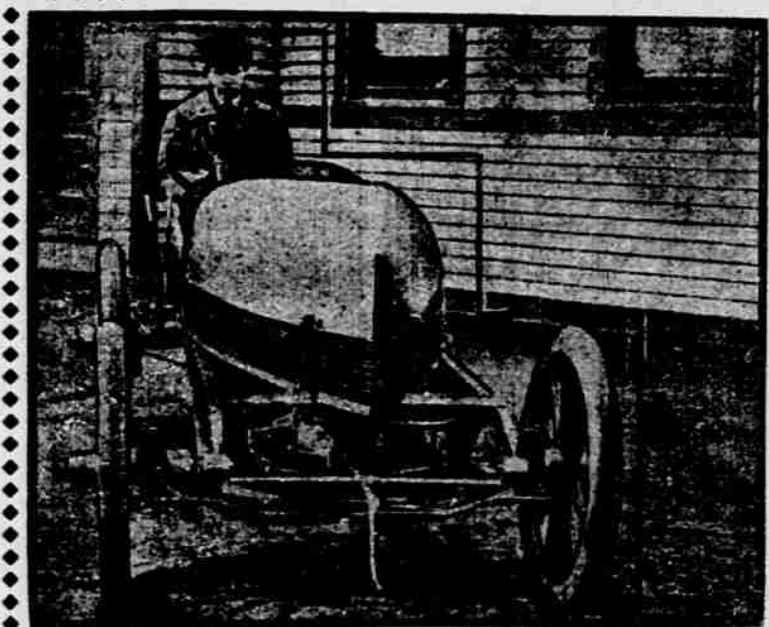
"Peter Paul has been running all spring and at no time has he been fitted up for a bruising race. I have been running him to harden his muscles, as I did my Derby winner. As the Washington Park meeting nears the harder the work map out for Peter Paul. A week or two before the Derby I will give him a rest, then when he steps onto the track on June 13 he will be fresh and fit to go a mile and a half or farther. Had Peter Paul been started against Waddell and beaten her he would have been proclaimed a great horse. English Lad ran the mile in 1:40 3/4 and beat Waddell a pace. If I had \$10,000 now I would be willing to wager that Peter Paul can lose Waddell in a mile race."

When Owner Bradley made this last remark he flung it at S. C. Hildreth, who owns Waddell. Hildreth laughed, but came back with the quick remark that he would bet \$10,000 he couldn't.

One bookmaker was asked what the odds would be on the two horses if they should be matched. He said English Lad would be 1 to 5 and Peter Paul 9 to 1, the half point being the bookmaker's "rake-off."

J. E. Madden is at Morris Park with his large string of 2-year-olds, which he has been getting ready at Washington, D. C. He is in possession of a rare lot of youngsters, but since Mr. Whitney's death Madden's training secrets do not become public property at an early date, as formerly. Madden is bitter at "clockers," who not only watch the work-outs of his string, but try to get the stable secrets from his employees by a liberal use of coin. Madden thinks he has his work-outs intact this season, as all hands he has been at when the races opened here.

E. R. Thomas and his partner, Alex.



SOMETHING NEW IN RACING AUTOMOBILES. This is the new car built especially to participate in the Gordon-Bennett Cup race. It will be noticed that a bonnet shaped like an inverted hull covers the entire machine, thus reducing wind resistance. The car weighs 1,800 pounds, carries twenty-two gallons of gasoline and eight gallons of water.

BARKLEY'S VICTORY RECALLED MAIDEN BEATING ODDS-ON CHOICE

Wyeth, Winner of the American Derby, Beat John Schorr's Charles W. Meyer at the Fair Grounds When Latter Was Well Played at Short Odds—Race Was Run Over a Bottomless Track.

When Tom Stevens' colt Barkley won at Delmar last week, ruthlessly beating a 1-to-4 chance, history only repeated itself. It is a way these good maidens of the old trainer have.

More sensational, however, was the way his good Wadsworth colt, Wyeth, who the following year won the American Derby in the colors of John A. Drake, broke from the maiden ranks.

He had run a very clever race at Memphis earlier in the spring, but John W. Schorr had a colt that spring that came to St. Louis with an unbeaten record.

This was Charles W. Meyer, who was heralded as one of the greatest youngsters Schorr had ever turned out. He had also been the central figure in a turf sensation at the fair end of the meeting, when just on the eve of a stake race, in which he would have been a pronounced favorite, he was found to be very sick.

A hastily summoned veterinarian called it a case of poisoning, and, of course, as soon as the verdict was pronounced stable hands could recall a dozen suspicious-looking characters who had been seen loitering around the barn. The track investigation developed the fact that a carload of medicine had been left outside the colt's stall and the colt had drunk enough to give him a warm feeling under his saddle girths.

But, anyhow, when he came here, he seemed fully recovered, won a couple of nice races, and when the Junior Champs' Stake was run he was favorite.

Shields, are betting big money on their races nowadays. Thomas is perhaps the largest individual operator in the betting ring at present. Smathers has been at the track one day only, but he sent in several large commissions as a starter.

Eastern turfmen declare the 2-year-

olds of the present season will be of better class than have been shown for years. They assert that on the strength of what they have already seen at the Aqueduct and Jamaica tracks. They have seen the youngsters there run like stake horses, and they know that these 2-year-olds are merely the culls of the great racing stables.

If the youngsters that have shown at the Long Island tracks are merely "culls" and the poorest of the stable, then the estimate of the turfmen would be correct, for the youngsters thus far shown are far above the average.

John Madden's great string of youngsters arrived at Westchester a few days ago, and on Sunday they were given good smart work. The quality shown by these youngsters amazed all who saw them. They reeled off half miles in almost record time with surprising ease.

Mr. Madden's string was sent to Washington early, and it was a good move on his part. He was not only able to acquaint his horses with the noise and bustle of the race track, but work them in races as well. He picked up a couple of purses and paid expenses.

After the races were over Mr. Madden had a couple of weeks to himself, during which the Bennings course was practically his private training ground, and he has fitted his horses without submitting them to the prying eyes of the "clockers."

Of course, it is not known which are the stars of Madden's string. Some say that Marguerite, the dam of Hastings, Plauditt and other great horses, is the pick. Others fancy Linda Lee, by Hamburg, dam Myrtle Harkness, Laitie and Court-plauditt are highly esteemed by others.

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NEXT STAKE OFFERING AT DELMAR WILL BE LUCAS MEMORIAL EVENT

Race Is at One Mile and One-Sixteenth and Includes Quite a Lot of Likely Material—Charles Thompson Is a Candidate for First Money and Light Opera May Make His First Appearance in the Stake.

WRITTEN FOR THE SUNDAY REPUBLIC. The next stake offering to the local racing public will be the Lucas Memorial, named in honor of the founder of the Kinloch track, the late J. D. Lucas. It is at a mile and a sixteenth, and includes in its eligible quite a lot of likely timber. It will be run over the Delmar track.

From the mass of horses nominated, those most likely to start are Charlie Thompson and Count 'Em Out, from the stable of Ed Trotter; Louis Lemps' good son of Count Tenor, Light Opera; P. M. Civil's Sambo, William Walker's Mauder, Mrs. M. Goldblatt's The Regent, T. H. Stevens' Walnut Hill, and Hart Dehams' Spencerian.

Sambo is now racing at Kansas City and Mauder and Spencerian at Worth, but it is understood that their owners will return them to St. Louis for this event.

Tom Hayes had his great race horse, Gold Heels, which "Grey Tom" Gallagher, who is something of an authority, considers the greatest race horse ever foaled in America, out on the Fair Grounds track last Thursday and gave him a nice easy mile in 1:53. The track is in rather bad shape, teams and scrapers being hard at work on it, trying to get it in condition, so the son of The Bard and Heel and Tom was not set down in earnest.

The case with which he turned the mile, track condition considered, shows what a grand horse he is. He is not at his best, either, his handler having him pointed for the big World's Fair Handicap, to be run June 25. Prior to that time he will have one or two tunings-up races at the Fair Grounds, when the conditions are favorable.

Lady Strathmore, too, will be raced again this year, though she will be bred this spring and retired in the late summer. She is looking in grand shape, and her owner thinks she will show a return of the form which made her such a great mare in her 2-year-old form.

Nearly all the good horses at the Fair Grounds are still kept in their barns by the unsettled weather and consequent poor track conditions. J. W. Burnett has his popular gray, Taby Toss, in fine shape and is anxious to get him to the races, but he will not start him until the track gets good. Urb, Haley thinks he has a sweet ally this year in Magnolia, but she, too, is being reserved for more favorable footing. Scores of other horses are being merely jogged when they should get sharp work, while their owners fret and bicker the weather clerk.

Two of the big events of the last week had a direct bearing on the World's Fair Handicap, the Metropolitan Handicap, won by Irish Lad last Tuesday, and the Clark Handicap at Louisville, won by Colonial Girl the same day.

Both of these horses are eligible to the great \$50,000 event, and both have large followings, to which their victories are very encouraging.

Colonial Girl is considered a certain starter, and if the men behind Irish Lad think he has a reasonable chance to carry off the big prize, it looks reasonable to expect them to send him after it. Stakes of this value don't happen very often, and the horse which wins it will earn more money in the one race than 90 per cent of the horses bred do in their entire turf careers.

AT THE MEMPHIS COURSE. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Memphis, Tenn., May 7.—George Baum of Pittsburgh came in yesterday with two fast steppers that are now quartered at George Star's stable. They are Woodwells, 2:14, by Astell, and Miss Georgia, a pacing mare by Regal Wilkes. The latter has not been given a thorough try-out, and has no record.

Two horses from C. A. Smith's stable of Pittsburgh arrived at the track yesterday afternoon. They are Tewsbury, 2:19 1/4, and Woodgird, 2:23 1/4. The former is a gray pacer that is being converted into a trotter, and the other is a black mare, a trotter. Both have been used on the half-mile track during the last year. Tewsbury won the \$1,000 stake at Wheeling last year, and Woodgird was a seven-time winner on the half-mile tracks last season. It is a strange thing that Woodwells and five other fast ones out of Woodbury have what is known to the horsemen as a "glass eye." One eye of each horse is of an extremely light color.

W. B. Chisholm's two fast steppers, Mary Gage, 2:15 1/4, and Ruth C., were removed from the Forest City Farm yesterday by Astell, and sent to Miss Georgia, a pacing mare by Regal Wilkes. The latter has not been given a thorough try-out, and has no record.

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Cliff Lawson, who is assisting in the training of the Smith stable, has been in the racing game ever since he was 8 years old. He declared yesterday that he had grown fat following the race track.

Two hundred horses were at work on the Glenville track yesterday afternoon. Race track men were busy with a large force of men to place the course in good condition. The inside track was also being worked up, so that the race could be made. The best time that was done yesterday was around 2:20. No attempt will be made to lower this for some time, as yet.

JAMAICA TRACK JOTTINGS. No wonder E. E. Smathers and his small coterie of friends, who were at the Jamaica track, went for the gloves on Thursday in the first race yesterday. The filly was one of the best 2-year-olds of her sex in the West last year, and at the close of last week worked at Sheepscot Bay in 1:45 1/4, five furlongs in 1:32 1/4. And she was fighting along at his neck, too, when the gallop finished.

E. E. Smathers was not equally fortunate with his grand 2-year-old, McChesney, who was the public's favorite for the handicap, and likewise carried a large portion of the betting. He was in the post, but he was giving it all up, and in work either, McChesney could not have lost.

One man's loss is another man's gain. J. L. McGinnis won the race with his new purchase, Collector Jessup, and in so doing won his out very nearly twice over. He reckoned that the collector cost him \$25,000, but he was getting a great colt in return for it. He ran the first half in 47 flat and the six furlongs in 1:32 1/4. Mr. Barco, the time, gave him a shade

the worst of it when he hung out 1:33. At least, judging from the time taken by several trainers' watches.—New York American.

THE TOLEDO REGULARS BEAT THE YANIGANS Monday—score, 4 to 3. Long's work at second base was a feature of the game.

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